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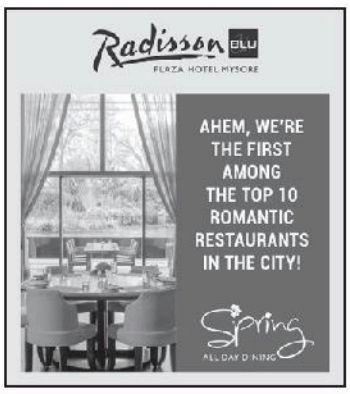
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ALL DAY DINING

MCC pre-Budget meeting drowned in din

Finance Committee Chairman to present Budget for 2022-23

Mysuru, Apr. 18 (RK&BCT)- Chaos prevailed at the pre-Budget meeting convened by the Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) this afternoon over the issue of Mayor's term and the presentation of Budget. Opposition Congress cornered the ruling BJP (Mayor is from BJP) over many issues and even the JD(S) Corporators joined the arguments.

After a heated debate for over an hour, it was later decided that the Finance and Taxation Standing Committee Chairman M.S. Shobha will present the Budget for 2022-2023 as per the Government order. The Budget date was, however, yet to be decided. The meeting was on when we went to the Press.

Leader of the Opposition in the MCC Ashwini Ananthu seen arguing with MCC Commissioner G. Lakshmikantha Reddy at the MCC pre-Budget meeting this afternoon as Mayor (in-Charge) Sunanda Palanetra, Deputy Mayor (in-Charge) Anwar Baig, Finance Standing Committee Chairperson M.S. Shobha, former Mayors Ayub Khan and Arif Hussain look on.

The meeting was called at 12.30 pm at the MCC and was chaired by Mayor (in-Charge) Sunanda Palanetra. Deputy Mayor (in-Charge) Anwar Baig and MCC Commissioner G. Lakshmikantha Reddy were present. The meeting was called to end the stalemate over the presentation of the Budget.

As the official tenure of the Mayor ended on Feb. 24, there was confusion whether Sunanda Palanetra had the power to present the Budget. Usually, the Finance and Taxation Standing Committee Chairman (Corporator Shobha) presents the Budget and in this case, as the Mayor's term had ended, there was confusion as to who will present the Budget — whether it is Finance and Taxation Standing Committee Chairman or the MCC Commissioner.

The issue was further complicated due to a delay in the announcement of the reservations for the Mayoral polls, delaying the elections. While the ruling BJP argued that it could present the Budget, the opposition JD(S) argued that the Finance and Taxation Standing Committee must be reconstituted after the Mayoral polls.

Following the confusion, the MCC Commissioner wrote to the Government seeking permission for Budget presentation. The Municipal Administration Department granted permission for the same and this was announced by the Commissioner amidst the heated debate after which it was decided that M.S. Shobha will present the Budget as the Chairman of the Finance and Taxation Standing Committee.

(See MCC on page 7)

Move to raze Devaraja Market, Lansdowne Building

Tenants, stakeholders oppose demolition

Seek support of Mysore royal family; Public meeting in a day or two

Mysuru, Apr. 18 (MTY&BCT)- The Mysuru District Heritage Committee's recent decision to demolish and reconstruct the heritage Devaraja Market and Lansdowne Building in 'heritage-like style' has not gone down well with the stakeholders like tenants of Devaraja Market and heritage experts.

They have now reached out to the erstwhile Mysore royal family that has been vocal against the destruction of heritage structures in the name of development. A public meeting will be held under the leadership of members of the royal family within a day or two, said Devaraja Market Tenants Association President Pailwan Mahadev. There are over 1,200 tenants at Devaraja Market.

Yesterday, Mahadev and other stakeholders including Member of the Expert Committee for Development and Protection of Mysore Heritage Region and Convenor of INTACH (Indian National Trust for Art and Cultural Heritage) Prof. N.S. Rangaraju met the titular head of Mysore royal family Yaduveer Krishnadatta Chamaraja Wadiyar at the private residential wing of Mysore Palace and discussed the issue and sought the family's support.

(See DEMOLITION on page 7)

SVANidhi Samriddhi Mela sensitises street vendors to avail Govt. benefits

Mysuru, Apr. 18 (PM&DM)- The Town Hall in the heart of the city was a beehive of activity this morning as hundreds of street vendors and other beneficiaries of Pradhan Mantri Street Vendor's AtmaNirbhar Nidhi (PM SVANidhi) scheme, thronged the venue to take part in 'SVANidhi Samriddhi Mela,' a day-long city-level camp that was organised by Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) in association with Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana-National Urban Livelihoods Mission (DAY-NULM) section of District Development Co-ordination and Monitoring Committee (DISHA).

Mayor (in-Charge) Sunanda Palanetra inaugurated the event by lighting the lamp. Speaking on the occasion, Sunanda Palanetra explained the objective of the camp and said that any scheme introduced by the Governments can become successful only if the beneficiaries make good use of the benefits and facilities covered under it.

Maintaining that the Mela will help in profiling the street vendors and also document details of their family members, she appealed the beneficiaries to turn up at the Mela in large numbers in order to know about the benefits under various schemes covered that chiefly include Pradhan Mantri Suraksha Bima Yojana (PMSBY), PM Jeevan Jyoti Bima Yojana (PMJJBY), PM Shram Yogi Maan-dhan (PM-SYM), One Nation One Ration Card, PM Jan-Dhan Yojana (PMJDY), registration under building and other construction workers category, PM Matru Vandana Yojana (PMMVY) and Janani Suraksha Yojana (JSY).

(See SVANIDHI on page 6)

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"We believe comment is free, but facts are sacred."

Editor: M. GOVINDE GOWDA, M.A.

Mysuru, Monday 18th April 2022

Canine blood donor awareness drive held in city

Mysuru, Apr. 18 (KS) - In a bid to create awareness on the importance of canine blood donation, a drive was held by Shree Pet Clinic in Vijayanagar 4th Stage here recently.

Renowned Music Director Arjun Janya handed over certificates to a group of dog owners, who had registered their pets for canine blood donation. Lauding them for their gesture, he said that these pet owners would rush with their dogs to the clinic during emergency for blood transfusion to save another dog which is in need of blood. He called upon pet owners to join hands in this cause by registering their pet dogs as Emergency Blood Donor so that they can save the lives of other pet dogs which may die due to non-availability of donor dog.

Pointing out lack of awareness among pet dog owners that their pets can donate blood and save lives of other dogs, Arjun Janya said that more such awareness drives should be held so that pet owners come to know about the importance of canine blood donation.

Pet dog owners, intending to register their dogs as Emergency Blood Donor, may contact Dr. Deepak on Mob: 94807-02704.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

The Reserve Bank of India has given indications of a shift to prioritising inflation ahead of growth in its latest Monetary Policy Statement. In its first meeting of the new financial year, the Monetary Policy Committee (MPC) of the RBI chose to keep the repo rate unchanged at 4% and retain its accommodative stance. But there is a shift in the wording, sentiment and tone on the key issues it will have to deal with in the coming months. A change in stance should have actually come earlier when the threat of inflation had started to get real. The RBI's main mandate is to control inflation and it is accountable for any lapse on that front. But in the last two years, it paid more attention to promoting and incentivising growth. This was necessary when the pandemic has badly hit economic growth, but the RBI may have stuck a bit too long with that policy.

There has been much change in the country and the world since the MPC's February meeting. While the third wave of the pandemic did not hurt the economy to any great extent, it slowed down the recovery. But Russia's war on Ukraine, which started in late February, has done much harm. The prices of many commodities, including crude, have gone up and this will have implications for country's macroeconomic situation. The RBI may not be able to do much more now and the Government will have to do the heavy lifting to promote growth. The MPC may change its stance from accommodative to neutral in its next meeting in June, as indicated by the policy statement. That may lead to hikes in interest rates in the coming months. Hopefully, the prospect of rising inflation will be taken more seriously than in the past. — *In Deccan Herald*

NEWS SPARKLERS

Ear lobe fillers for 'Lucky Buddha Ears'

Quang Ninh: People in Vietnam are getting hyaluronic acid fillers injected into their ear lobes in order to achieve elongated lobes like those of Maitreya, aka Laughing Buddha, considered a good long charm.

A beauty salon in Quang Ninh is getting large number of people requesting ear lobe fillers in order to change their fortunes. They believe that by increasing the size of their ear lobes to emulate those of Maitreya, a symbol of wealth and good fortune, they will attract prosperity into their lives. Advertisements for this procedure have reportedly become very popular on social media as well, with many salons promising fast and painless procedures to superstitious customers.

The deadliest former island on Earth

Moscow: Vozrozhdeniya was once an isolated island in the Aral Sea. Today, it's a wasteland infused with tonnes of anthrax, as well as other exotic and deadly diseases.

The Aral Sea was once the fourth-largest sea on planet Earth, but after the rivers that fed it were diverted by the Soviets to irrigate cotton fields, its waters receded and today it is nothing but a salty-sand wasteland where temperatures frequently reach 60 degrees Celsius and signs of life are scarce to non-existent. But what's worse than a salt-covered wasteland is the salt-covered wasteland infused with anthrax and a plethora of other exotic diseases that the Soviet Union experimented with for years. Its reputation is so notorious that ever since the former island – now 10 times its former size and connected to the mainland – was evacuated in the 1990s, only a handful of expeditions have been organised.

HEALTH CAPSULE

Brain strokes can recur. One reason could be blocked carotid arteries in the neck from where clots can go and block arteries of the brain. This can be successfully treated by either surgery or non-surgically by carotid stenting.

By Dr. Maqsood Ahmed A R - Consultant Neurosurgeon
Manipal Hospital, Mysore

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LIFE'S ON

** Health Capsule is not intended to be of a diagnostic nature*

Book release and 'Mungaru Kavi Sammilana' tomorrow

Mysuru, Apr.18- Writer Dr. A. Pushpa Iyengar's work 'Baalu Belagitu' will be released at a programme organised under the aegis of Venkatagiri Prakashana at Kalyanotsava Bhavan in Sri Yoganarasimhaswamy temple premises in Vijayanagar I Stage at 11.30 am tomorrow (Apr.19).

Founder of Sri Yoganarasimhaswamy temple Prof. Bhashyam Swamiji and Scholar Prof. T.V. Venkatachala Shastry, who were recently conferred the coveted 'Nadoja' Award, will be felicitated on the occasion.

The programme also includes 'Mungaru Kavi Sammilana,' a poets meet featuring several noted poets and authors.

Former MLA Vasu will preside. Renowned poetess Dr. Latha Rajashekar will release the book. Former President of District Kannada Sahitya Parishat Prof. N. Girigowda will speak. Mysuru District Journalists Association President S.T. Ravikumar will be the chief guest. For more details call Mob: 94498-86559.

Retrenched SC/ST daily wagers of KSOU to stage indefinite stir

Mysuru, Apr.18- Dejected over the KSOU's delaying tactics to reappoint them as per Court orders, retrenched daily wagers of the University, under the banner of Karnataka State Open University SC/ST Daily Wage Employees Association, will stage an indefinite stir in front of the Main Gate of KSOU in Muktagangothri campus on Hunsur road from 10.30 am tomorrow (Apr.19).

In a press release, Association President M. Nagaraj said that about 130 candidates were appointed by the KSOU in 2005-06 and they worked till 2010-11, when they were sacked without any notice. Subsequently, they moved the High Court, which in 2012 ordered KSOU to re-appoint them. Even the Labour Court at Mysuru too had ruled in their favour. But ignoring the Court order, the KSOU authorities held a recruitment spree recently, where 500 fresh candidates were appointed, thus denying justice to them. As such the Association has decided to stage an indefinite stir until their demand of re-appointment is fulfilled, the release said.

For more details, call Mob: 97437-17331 or 94497-61197.

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- ***The largest flower in the world can be up to ten feet tall and three feet wide, and it can weigh up to 24 pounds! It is called the Titan Arum and it has a distinctive smell of rotting flesh, hence why it is also known as the "corpse flower."***
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Sparsh: *"No, Pizza Home Deliver!!"*

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- More than 350 biogas plants in 232 districts under Gobardhan Yojana for disposal and optimum utilisation of cow dung, excellent example of waste to wealth
- Construction of 1 million community and household soak-pits for grey water management under Sujalam Abhiyan; Better water management in 1.4 lakh villages
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NEWS BRIEFS

Matrimonial Meet

City's Sapthapadi Foundation Trust will be holding a matrimonial meet of prospective Brahmin brides and bridegrooms at Namana Kalamantapa in Krishnamurthypuram at 9 am on Apr. 24. Brahmin (Trimathastha) community brides and bridegrooms can register at the Trust Office located in Brahmana Dharma Sahaya Sabha Complex, Thyagaraja Road, before Apr. 23. For registration, call Mob: 94494-25536/ 38 or 94481-75407.

Religious Meet

Sri Basaveshwara, Sri Kalamma, Sri Maramma and Sri Siddappaji Temples Rejuvenation, Inauguration, Kalasha Sthapane and religious meet will be held at Keelanapura in Varuna hobli of Mysuru taluk on Apr. 21. Sri Guruswamy of Gurumalleshwara Dasoha Mutt, Hosakote, will perform puja rituals; Shatsthala Dwajarohana by Sri Chidananda Swamiji of Sri Hosmutt at 8.30 am. Kalasharohana at 10 am by Sri Shivarathri Deshikendra Swamiji of Suttur and Sri Siddalinga Swamiji of Sri Siddaganga Mutt. MLA Dr. Yathindra Siddharamaiah will inaugurate Basava Bhavan. Religious meeting will be held in the presence of Suttur Seer, Siddaganga Seer and Sri Shivanandapuri Swamiji of Kaginele Peetha, Mysuru. Former CMs B.S. Yediyurappa and Siddharamaiah will participate. On Apr. 20 at 6 pm, Shivadeekshe-Lingadeekshe will be held in association with JSS Religious Endowment. Play 'Daksha Yajna' will be staged at 9.30 pm.

WATER LEVEL

KRS DAM

Maximum	:	124.80 feet
Today	:	102.56 feet
Yesterday	:	103.26 feet
Inflow	:	894 cusecs
Outflow	:	3,996 cusecs

KABINI DAM

Maximum	:	2,284.00 feet
Today	:	2,266.04 feet
Inflow	:	764 cusecs
Outflow	:	1,000 cusecs

HARANGI DAM

Maximum	:	2,859.00 feet
Today	:	2,847.55 feet
Inflow	:	122 cusecs
Outflow	:	40 cusecs

City Cops collect Rs. 1.10 crore traffic fine in three months

Mysuru, Apr. 18 (RK&BCT)- The Mysuru City Police have intensified their traffic violation fine collection drive along with resuming drunken driving tests. This comes after the fear of COVID is completely off the minds of the people, as well as the Department.

From Jan.1 to March 31, 2022, a total of 3,41,693 traffic violation cases were registered. Including the Rs. 17,48,500 that was collected from the Court of Law, the Police have collected Rs. 1,10,25,300 in three months.

For the record, the City Police stands second in the State when it comes to traffic fine collection as between 2019 and 2021 — traffic offenders have coughed up Rs. 23.6 crore. Bengaluru City stands in the first place with a collection of Rs. 329 crore during the same period. Mysuru is closely followed by Hubballi-Dharwad where Rs. 18.9 crore was collected.

Of the total fines collected in Mysuru from January this year, Rs. 51,24,300 has been collected during on-the-spot checking on the roads. A majority of the fines levied is for helmet-less riding where 5,612 cases have been booked. 1,024 cases have been registered against persons for not wearing seatbelts and 3,629 cases have been booked against those pillion riders who do not wear helmets.

Over 3,27,365 cases have been registered including Field Traffic Violation Report (FTVR) — hand-held device to capture various violations — reckless driving, over-speeding, driving under the influence of alcohol, speaking on mobile phone while driving, signal jumping, driving over footpaths, defective silencers, driving sans uniforms, zig-zag driving and triple riding.

Last year, from Jan. 1 to March 31, a total of 12,28,285 cases were booked where the Police collected Rs. 5,77,32,650 as fines. In 2020, during the same period, 10,90,841 cases were booked and Rs. 8,99,41,900 have been collected.

In the renewed drunken driving tests this year, the city Police booked 243 cases in three months while in 2021, only nine drunken driving cases were registered as there was a fear that the COVID virus spread due to the breath-analyser tests. In 2020, from January to March, 315 drunken driving cases were booked.

File photo

Saving lives is our priority

Imposing and collecting fines are not the only intention of Traffic Police. We do not want to fill the State coffers by collecting maximum penalties. Fines are imposed so that the offender does not commit the mistake again. Rather, saving lives is our priority. People on roads must follow traffic rules and many times, one person's carelessness leads to another person's loss of life. We have seen that many innocent lives lost or many maimed for life due to carelessness. The violator gets away after paying a fine but the other person suffers for no fault of his."

—Dr. Chandragupta, City Police Commissioner

Mandya Unitary University should grow and develop into a model one: Minister

Mandya, Apr. 18 (Mohan Raj &TRR)- Higher Education Minister Dr. C.N. Ashwathnarayan has said that there is a need to develop Mandya Unitary University into a model University so that it can contribute to local agriculture and community empowerment with a focus on providing suitable technology and creation of employment.

The Minister held a detailed discussion with the University's Vice-Chancellor Prof. Puttaraju and Department Heads of all faculties regarding the steps to be initiated towards developing the University so that it can address local issues and act as a catalyst for the development of locals.

Speaking after the meeting, Dr. Ashwathnarayan opined that it is not correct to blindly follow the models of other Universities and instead evolve an education system which promotes the welfare of the society. "The University should also ensure that local youth get employment by forging tie ups with industries and foreign Universities giving priority to Twinning Degree programmes. Mandya district has irrigation facilities and farmers here depend largely on sugarcane crop. The University should introduce technologies for achieving higher yield, sweet content, optimum use of water and other farmer-friendly tools. Both short term and long term programmes have to be formulated to achieve this goal," the Minister added.

Intervening during the exchange of information, VC Prof. Puttaraju said that there is a need to start an Engineering College in the University to which the Minister replied that there are thousands of vacant seats in the existing Engineering Colleges and there is no need for a new college. The Minister advised him to actively involve local businesses to achieve better quality of education.

Mysore Varsity assures help: Dr. Ashwathnarayan directed the Vice-Chancellor of University of Mysore Prof. G. Hemantha Kumar to extend necessary help to the upcoming Mandya University in achieving higher growth and development.

The Vice-Chancellor in turn, readily agreed and said that there are certain rules and systems to develop an University and for a new one, there are many challenges to be faced which are both natural and inevitable. "The University of Mysore will openly share its vast experience with Mandya Unitary University," he added.

Kho-Kho Association to hold public meeting in Hunsur on Apr. 20

Mysuru, Apr. 18- The Mysore District Kho-Kho Association (affiliated to Kho-Kho Association and Department of Youth Empowerment and Sports, Mysuru) has convened a public meeting at the Office of Hunsur MLA H.P. Manjunath in Hunsur town at 4.30 pm on Apr. 20 to discuss revival of Hunsur's Bharath Sports Club and organisation of State-level Kho-Kho Tournament.

The public meeting, apart from deliberating on the ways to revive Bharath Sports Club, will draw plans for conducting the State-level Kho-Kho Tournament (men and women) for the first time in Hunsur. For details, call: 94485-57004 or 93421-23457.

VOICE OF THE READER

Gaping hole near School Gate

Sir,

This letter is to draw the attention of MCC officials to a gaping hole opposite the Gate of Chinmaya Vidyalaya in Jayalakshmipuram as seen in the picture.

This hole has been created by the caving in of the land due to the recent rains. This can be dangerous for elders and children walking on the road. It can also pose a danger for anyone using the road at night.

Since this is a School zone, I request the officials at MCC to kindly consider this matter as urgent, attend to this problem and avert any major mishap.

—**Dr. Neetu Ganapathy**
Jayalakshmipuram 15.4.2022

Couple commits suicide in Vijayanagar

Mysuru, Apr. 18 (KS) - A couple reportedly committed suicide by hanging at their house in city on Saturday night.

The deceased are Madhava Nayak (57), a postman and his wife Usha (51), residents of Vijayanagar 3rd Stage in city.

A native of Kukkaje in Sullia of Dakshina Kannada, Madhava Nayak had served in Sonangeri, Mangaluru and other places and was residing in Mysuru since three years. The couple had got their daughter Aishwarya married last year and the reason for them to take the extreme step is yet to be ascertained.

Vijayanagar Police have registered a case.

Woman goes missing

Mysuru, Apr. 18 (KS) - A 25-year-old woman, who left her house on Apr. 11 at about 9 am, without informing her family members has since gone missing.

The CCTV footage at City Railway Station has captured the woman boarding Tipu Express to Bengaluru.

The missing woman is Mohamedi, daughter of Syed Mehboob Pasha. She is 5.5 ft. tall, oily red complexioned, oval faced, speaks Kannada and Urdu and was wearing a red coloured top, yellow pant and white veil at the time of going missing.

Those having any information about the missing woman may contact Mandi Police Station on Ph: 0821-2418113/313/513 or call Police Control Room on Ph: 0821-2418339, according to a press release.

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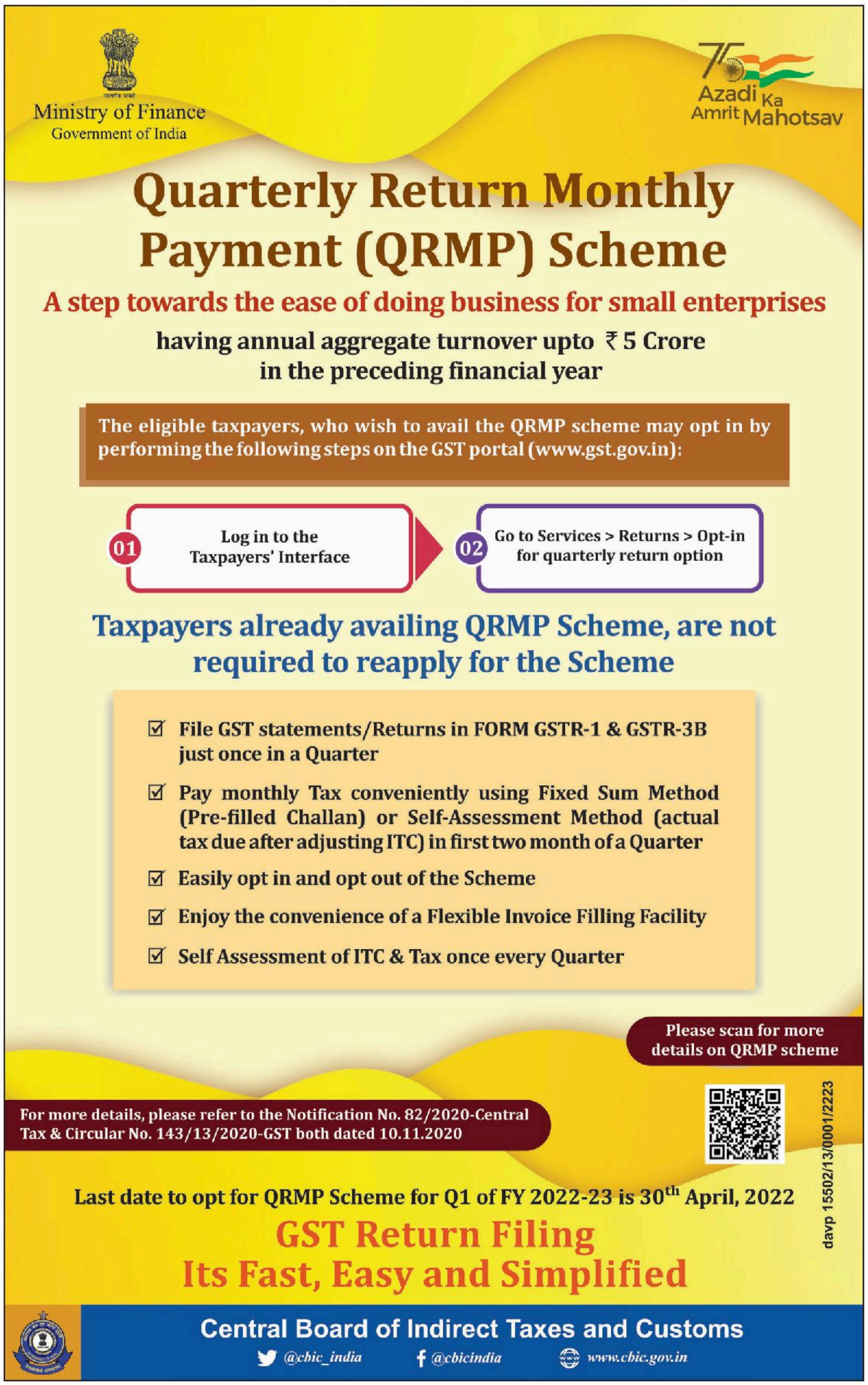
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Hundreds attend 'SVANidhi Samriddhi Mela'

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Noting that the PM SVANidhi was launched by the Union Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs on June 1, 2020 for providing affordable working capital loan (Rs. 10,000) to street vendors to resume their livelihoods that have been adversely affected following COVID-induced lockdown, Mayor (in-Charge) Sunanda Palanetra contended that the scheme largely helps the street vendors at getting back at their feet financially.

Principal District and Sessions Court Judge M.L. Raghunath, who was a guest of honour on the occasion, said that prior to the enactment of Street Vendors (Protection of Livelihood and Regulation of Street Vending) Act, 2014, street vending was considered as unauthorised but with the enactment of the Act, street vending has got legal sanction and all the eligible beneficiaries can avail loans and other benefits and facilities under various schemes meant for them. Pointing out that the District Legal Services Authority (DLSA) helps in addressing any problems faced by the beneficiaries in getting their entitled benefits, he asked them to seek the DLSA's guidance and help for free whenever they need it.

MCC Additional Commissioner M.J. Roopa, in her address, said that the profiling of all registered street vendors of the city is underway.

Noting that documentation of all family members need to be done in order to ensure complete implementation of the Centrally funded PM SVANidhi schemes, she said that the MCC received over 10,000 applications for Rs. 10,000 loan of one-year tenure. The profiling under SVANidhi scheme, in the long run, aims at establishing a credit score for the vendors and as well as creating a digital record of their socio-economic status so that they can avail Central Government schemes later, she added. Continuing, Roopa said that street vendors of the city had submitted 16,506 application to Banks seeking loans for resuming their livelihood that was shattered by the outbreak of the COVID pandemic. Out of this, 10,059 applications were found eligible and of them, 9,335 beneficiaries got a collective loan of Rs.10.13 crore, with one getting Rs. 10,000.

Pointing out that so far, profiling of 4,281 street vendors and their family members has been completed, she said that details about their socio-economic status is being collected and collated with help from Town Vending Committee. The beneficiaries can use this data filled profile for availing benefits under Government schemes for which they are eligible, she added.

MCC Commissioner G. Lakshmikantha Reddy, ACP (Traffic) S.E. Gangadharaswamy, Town Vending Committee Members B.S. Ravi and R. Guruswamy, staff of District Lead Bank and personnel from concerned Departments such as Women and Child Welfare, Food and Civil Supplies, Labour, Health and Family Welfare etc., were present.

Retired teacher loses Rs. 15 lakh to online fraud; gets it back

CEN Police Station Sub-Inspector M.L. Siddesh at MGP interaction

Mysuru, Apr. 18 (BCT)- Among the many cases of online frauds that have been detected by the Mysuru City Cybercrime, Economic Offences and Narcotics (CEN) Police, a few cases stand out where the victims save penny by penny but ultimately lose the hard-earned money to fraudsters.

Here is a case of a retired teacher (name withheld) who had saved Rs. 15 lakh for his daughter's marriage but ended up losing the money to cyber criminals. Luckily, the CEN Police intervened and were able to get back the money that was re-deposited to the retired teacher's bank account.

This incident was narrated by CEN Police Station Sub-Inspector M.L. Siddesh, who was speaking at the monthly awareness and interaction programme organised by Mysore Grahakara Parishat (MGP) recently.

"The retired teacher lost the money in seconds and it was kept for his daughter's wedding. Having lost his life's savings, the teacher quickly approached the CEN Police Station and we were able to track the money," Siddesh said.

The CEN Police then contacted the respective banks and could ensure that every single rupee stolen from the teacher's bank account was returned, he explained. Fortunately, the teacher had complained immediately after he lost the money and could get it back, he added.

M.L. Siddesh

Sub-Inspector Siddesh was awarded by the State Government for this commendable job.

Hacked e-mail ID

During the course of the discussion, a speaker (identity withheld) said that a company's employee managed to hack the company e-mail ID and added himself as the company admin by removing the genuine admin. Later he issued fake instructions to the employees through email. He even hacked the company website and inserted his own password. Hearing the case, SI Siddesh asked the speaker to lodge a complaint with the CEN Police so that the hacker-employee could be prosecuted.

Siddesh has asked the people to be wary as cybercriminals are adopting different strategies to dupe people. CEN Police have advised the public not to fall into the trap of fake customer care numbers found on Google search.

Monthly awareness and interaction prog. organised by MGP recently.

Beware of 'modus operandi'

The SI told people not to share any bank account/ card/ wallet details with customer care persons. Also, people must be careful of messages they receive on their mobile phones with a link for updating their PAN card and KYC. Further, he said not to download any remote access applications even if a customer care person instructs to do so, as this can allow a fraudster to note down all bank/ card details and cheat.

He cautioned against online loan offers and girls making obscene video calls on WhatsApp and Instagram before recording the victims and blackmailing them. Another *modus operandi* of fraudsters is to place ads on online marketplace apps posing as Defence personnel.

"One has to be cautious if someone unknown asks you to install screen sharing software/ apps such as AnyDesk, TeamViewer. Also be vigilant while using links embedded in an e-mail or SMS, especially where it requires entering financial credentials," he added.

Never disclose OTP, PIN or CVV over the phone and while making a payment and entering OTP, be sure to double-verify the amount that is going to be debited as well as the name of the merchant receiving the payment. If the source doesn't look credible/ authentic or the amount is different, cancel the transaction immediately, he said.

Dr. B.V. Shivamurthy, President, MGP, welcomed. K.V. Ramanath, Treasurer, proposed a vote of thanks. S.V. Raghavendra, Working President, Sharanappa, Sureshkumar Jain, Industrialist, Purushotham, R.A. Manjunath and others were present at the meeting.

HOW TO REPORT ONLINE FRAUD

Public can report cases of online frauds to the CEN Police Station immediately by calling Ph: 0821-2418598, Police Inspector: 94808-02263 or Police Control Room on Ph: 0821-2418339. The complaints can also be registered on the National Cyber Crime Reporting Portal (NCCRP) or by calling the toll-free number 155260.

Also, Toll Free No. 1930, a centralised helpline can be contacted 24x7 in all Indian languages and try to get the lost amount refunded. Apart from this, public can contact Mob: 94808-02263 or via e-mail: *cybermic@ksp.gov.in*

Heritage walk marks World Heritage Day

Mysuru, Apr. 18 (MTY&SSM) - As part of World Heritage Day celebrations, the Department of Archaeology, Museums and Heritage had organised a Heritage Walk this morning for students, researchers, professors and other staff of the Department of Studies in Ancient History and Archaeology, University of Mysore (UoM).

Over 80 students and researchers took part in the walk led by Member of Expert Committee for Mysuru Heritage Region, Prof. N.S. Rangaraju. The heritage walk commenced from Town Hall and passed through Silver Jubilee Clock Tower, Chamaraja Wadiyar X Circle, Mysore Palace, K.R. Circle, Lansdowne Building, Jaganmohan Palace, Banumaiah's College, Old Telecom Office, Mysuru City Corporation (MCC), Sanskrit Pathashala, CADA Office, Gun House before culminating at the Office of the Department of Archaeology in the premises of Dasara Exhibition Grounds.

Later an interaction programme was organised at the Department Office where Prof. Rangaraju and KSOU Archaeology Department's Research Centre Head Dr. Shelvapillai Iyengar explained about the history, heritage of Mysuru between 1799 and 1950.

Explaining about the reign of Mummadi Krishnaraja Wadiyar, Nalwadi, Chamaraja Wadiyar X and Jayachamaraja Wadiyar, the speakers also highlighted the Mysore Maharajas'contribution to health, education, irrigation and their donations during the construction of Krishna Raja Sagara (KRS) Dam, Vani Vilas Water Works among others.

The experts' talk was followed by a question and answer session where students and researchers from various parts of the State and country were curious to know more about the royal city and its magnificent structures.

Department of Archaeology, Museums and Heritage in-charge Deputy Director Manjula, Curator Sunil Kumar, Staff Ramesh and others were present.

Former CM Siddharamaiah hosts *Iftar* party in city

Mysuru, Apr. 18 - Former Chief Minister and Leader of the Opposition Siddharamaiah hosted *Iftar* party to Muslim brethren at a Function Hall on Mysuru-Bengaluru Road in city yesterday evening.

Moulana Mufthi Syed Tajuddin led the Namaz-e-Maghrib after breaking the fast *(Iftar)* at 6.55 pm at the Function Hall, which was attended by thousands of Muslim brethren.

Hazrath Moulana Mufthi Syed Tajuddin, MLA Tanveer Sait and Siddharamaiah addressed the gathering and extended greetings of Holy Month of Ramzan.

A delegation of Eidgah Committee led by in-charge Deputy Mayor Anwar Baig submitted a letter to the former CM requesting him to attend the mass *Eid-ul-Fitar* prayer at Eidgah Maidan in Tilaknagar on the occasion of Ramzan festival.

Siddharamaiah has been hosting *Iftar* party since 23 years, except for the last two years due to outbreak of COVID-19 pandemic.

Sir Khazi of Mysore Hazrath Moulana Mohammed Usman Shariff, Hazrath Moulana Mufthi Syed Tajuddin, Moulana Abdus Salam, MLAs Tanveer Sait, H.P. Manjunath and Dr. Yatindra Siddharamaiah, former MLAs Vasu and M.K. Somashekar, KPCC Working President R. Dhurvanarayan, in-charge Deputy Mayor Anwar Baig, former Mayors Ayub Khan and Arif Hussain, City Congress President R. Murthy, former Corporators Suhail Baig, K.C. Shoukath Pasha, former University of Mysore Syndicate member and Director of Muslim Co-operative Bank Ltd. Mohammed Abdus Salam and other dignitaries attended the *Iftar* party.

MCC pre-Budget meeting drowned in din

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As soon as the meeting began, former Mayors and current Corporators Ayub Khan and Arif Hussain led the team that demanded the MCC Commissioner not to allow the Budget presentation until the Mayor and Heads of all the Standing Committees are newly elected.

This was opposed by Corporator M.U. Subbaiah from the BJP who argued that the Budget could be presented. Other Corporators who participated in the debate are Ashwini Ananthu, Pushpalatha Jagannath and Prema Shankaregowda.

While the ruling party stuck to its position, the Congress and JD(S) members alleged that the BJP was not inviting them for any event. "All the events are becoming BJP programmes and none of the Congress and JD(S) Corporators are being invited to any events," they alleged, only to be countered by the BJP.

Seeing the debate was going off-track, the Commissioner announced that the order from the Municipal Administration Department clearly stated that the Finance and Taxation Standing Committee Chairman has the authority to present the Budget.

Tenants, stakeholders oppose demolition

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Eye on fat commission

Speaking to reporters after the meeting, Pailwan Mahadev said that they would not allow the demolition. "The Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) has already passed a resolution to demolish the heritage structures and following the resolution, the State Government has made up its mind to demolish the buildings. Unfortunately, even the Heritage Committee, which is supposed to protect the legacy, has supported this view," he said.

"The demolition and construction have been given a go ahead with an eye on the fat commission that the elected representatives and officers will get once the new structure comes up. The building is strong and sturdy and only a part of the Devaraja Market has collapsed and it can easily be restored. Sadly, the Government is trying to demolish a good building bowing to the pressure of commission-seeking people," he alleged.

Heritage Committee toed MCC line

"The Heritage Committee just acted as a puppet in all this and gave its approval to comply with the procedures required to go ahead with the demolition. This decision has threatened our livelihood and we are against this and will go to any extent to protect the heritage," Mahadev said and added that Yaduveer was apprised of all the happenings and his support was sought.

Reconstruction does not mean that the heritage charm is retained. If the heritage buildings conceptualised and constructed by the Wadiyars are demolished and reconstructed, what is the point in calling Mysuru a heritage city, he questioned.

"Thousands of people come to the Devaraja Market every day and many come there just to see the heritage structure and get a feel of it. We requested the royal family members to join the movement against the demolition. Yaduveer has agreed to be a part of the meeting and told us that he would soon release the opinion of the royal family on the demolition," he revealed.

On Chamaraja MLA L. Nagendra's statement that alternative arrangements will be made for the traders till a new building is constructed, Mahadev said, "We saw what these people did when the Devaraja Market was engulfed in fire. Tenants who suffered losses were left to fend for themselves despite tall promises. No one came to their rescue. Moreover, it is about conservation of a heritage structure and not about rehabilitation."

Obituary

S. Nagaraja

Mysuru, Apr. 18 - S. Nagaraja (76), retired Head Master of Marimallappa High School and a resident of Ramakrishnanagar 'K' Block, passed away at a private hospital in Bengaluru this afternoon.

He leaves behind his wife C.R. Padma, son Mahesh Nagaraj, daughters Aparna Kumar and Ambika Nagaraj, sons-in-law, grandchildren and a host of relatives and friends.

The body will be shifted to Mysuru this evening.

Last rites will be held tomorrow at the foot of Chamundi Hill, according to family sources.

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CHANGE OF NAME
I, **Smt. M.B. Vijayalakshmi,** W/o T. Raghunath aged, 67 years, residing at # 2937, 4th Main, V.V. Mohalla, Mysuru-670002, after my marriage I have changed my name from **M.B. Vijayalakshmi** to **VIJAYALAKSHMI RAGHUNATH** on my own free will vide affidavit sworn before Notary Vasudeva on 16.04.2022.
Sd/- Vijayalakshmi Raghunath

C.M. Ibrahim takes charge as JD(S) State President

Bengaluru, Apr.18- Senior politician and former Congress MLC C.M. Ibrahim, who resigned from the Congress recently, took over as the new President of Janata Dal-Secular (JD-S) of the State Unit at the party headquarters (J.P. Bhavan) in Bengaluru on Sunday in the presence of the party supremo H.D. Deve Gowda and former Chief Minister H.D. Kumaraswamy.

Ibrahim replaces Sakaleshpur MLA H.K. Kumaraswamy as the State President. H.K. Kumaraswamy has been appointed as the President of JD(S) National Parliamentary Board.

Ibrahim, who had served as a Union Minister in the Governments headed by H.D. Deve Gowda and I.K. Gujral during 1996-98, quit the Congress recently after he was denied the Leader of the Opposition post in the Legislative Council.

Speaking on the occasion, H.D. Deve Gowda described Ibrahim as an able leader who would strengthen the party. Pointing out that a leader from the minority community has been appointed to the top post, he said that this disproves the propaganda that the party gives space only for its family members.

Expressing optimism that the party would achieve its goal of 123 seats in the 2023 Assembly polls, Deve Gowda maintained that he had given a good number of berths to OBCs, SCs, STs and other community leaders in his cabinet when he was the CM of the State. Ibrahim has returned to his parent party after a gap of some years, he added.

C.M. Ibrahim, in his address, maintained that the Congress would not come to power in next year's Assembly polls. He vowed that H.D. Kumaraswamy would become the next CM of Karnataka. Party MLAs Bandeppa Kashempur, K.M. Krishnareddy and Dasarahalli Manjunath, leaders T.A. Saravana, Zafrulla Khan and others were present.

JD(S) Supremo and former PM H.D. Deve Gowda handing over the party flag to C.M. Ibrahim, who joined JD(S) yesterday as former CM H.D. Kumaraswamy and other leaders look on.

Tanveer Sait's close aide joins JD(S)

At the event, Mysuru politician Abdul Khader Shahid, a close aide of N.R. Congress MLA Tanveer Sait joined the JD(S) in the presence of top party leaders. Shahid, who had served as President of Azeez Sait Block Congress, was recently expelled from the Congress for anti-party activities.

It may be mentioned here that C.M. Ibrahim who had visited Mysuru a couple of months ago when he was a Congress MLC, had paid visit to the residence of Shahid and held talks with him.

K.B. Lingaraju elected MCCI President

The newly elected office-bearers of Mysore Chamber of Commerce and Industry (MCCI) for the year 2022-23.

K.B. Lingaraju

Mysuru, Apr. 18 (SBD&DM)- K.B. Lingaraju was elected as the President while R. Anand was elected as Vice-President of Mysore Chamber of Commerce and Industry (MCCI) for the year 2022-23 in the elections held yesterday.

Lingaraju, who bagged 331 votes, defeated his rival M.G. Byndoor, who secured just 19 votes. R. Anand (359 votes) won the Vice-President's post by defeating Chaya Nanjappa, who could manage to get just 11 votes. A.K. Shivajirao (319 votes) was elected as Hon. Secretary, defeating C.M. Subramanian (19 votes).

Vinod Jain (306 votes) was elected as Joint Secretary, defeating Suresh Kumar Jain (30 votes) and S.J. Ashok (311 votes) was elected as Treasurer defeating N. Satish (19 votes).

Also, S. Achyutha (357), M.C. Bhansali (339), C.K. Ganesh (330), N.H. Jayanth (345), P. Kumar (300), S. Kumaraswamy (299), S. Mahadeva (300), C. Narayanagowda (333), R.N. Ramesh (277), K.T. Shyamasundar (319), Srishaila Ramannavar (310) and R.M. Srivatsa (285) were elected to the Executive Committee.

Earlier, Radhakrishna Shastry, D. Padmanabha and B.S. Ravindrakumar were elected unopposed to the Executive Committee. A.S. Satish was the Returning Officer.

Meanwhile, a section of MCCI members boycotted the elections citing various irregularities in the conduct of elections.

Elected as Directors of Forest Dept. Housing Co-op. Society

Mysuru, Apr.18 (MTY&DM)- The following were elected as Directors of Mysuru District Forest Department Employees Housing Co-operative Society for a five-year term in the polls that took place at Aranya Bhavan in Ashokapuram here yesterday.

Bandipur Tiger Project Office Superintendent S. Shekar, Keshavamurthy, K.C. Nagabhushan Aradhya, V. Gopalshetty, R. Siddaiah, Nagaraju and D. Siddaraju, M.V.N. Rathna and Sudhamani from women's quota, D. Mahadevaiah from SC quota and D. Premkumar from ST quota. Also, M. Puttamadegowda was elected unopposed from Backward Classes quota earlier.

A total of 17 candidates had contested the polls. Co-operation Department Officer B.N.Raghu was the Returning Officer.

Nearly 100 persons join AAP in city

Mysuru, Apr. 18 (KS) - Dharmashree, grand-daughter of former CM late Dharam Singh and daughter of retired IPS Officer Sangram Singh joined Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) along with nearly 100 others in city recently.

A law graduate and hailing from an influential family, Dharmashree is an entrepreneur, handling multiple businesses like Fuels on Wheels, Sangram Services, etc. She has also been recognised as a young business entrepreneur by Reliance Group.

Speaking at a function to welcome such interested new joiners at the Party Office in city, AAP State President Prithvi Reddy said "After Punjab results, AAP is being a seen as new hope for change from existing corrupt system."

He said that when he asked Delhi CM Arvind Kejriwal as to when AAP should contest elections in Karnataka, Kejriwal replied, "This is not a decision to be made in Delhi or by Party office-bearers. This decision should be taken by the people of Karnataka."

He also said that AAP will be contesting in all 224 seats in 2023 Assembly elections. The need of the hour is to strengthen the party at grassroots level and hence good people are joining the Party, he said.

Prominent people who joined AAP are: Former Corporator Akram Shariff, stage artiste and activist Girish Machalli, Nawaz Shariff and group from N.R. Mohalla, Shivanna and group from Hulimaavu, Irfan Razak from Kalyanagiri, Rangaiah and group from Jayalakshmipuram, Parthasarathy and group from Sathagalli.

SWR General Manager inspects Central Workshop in Ashokapuram

Inaugurates automatic coach washing plant in Mysuru Station yard

Mysuru, Apr. 18- Sanjeev Kishore, General Manager, South Western Railway (SWR), Hubballi, accompanied by Principal Heads of the Department and Divisional Railway Manager, Mysuru Division, inspected the Central Workshop, Ashokapuram, on Saturday as part of the statutory annual inspection.

With the fleet of Linke Hofmann Busch (LHB) coaches expanding on the Indian Railway System, the Central Workshop, Ashokapuram, has a vital role to play in the periodical overhauling of these coaches which have improved safety features and greater riding comfort and aesthetically more appealing leading to enhanced passenger satisfaction.

The General Manager inspected the LHB spring shop, carriage lift shop and wheel shop.

He inaugurated the newly installed state-of-the-art plasma cutting machine and inspected the Basic Training Institute of the Workshop besides taking part in the tree plantation programme.

Later in the day, Sanjeev Kishore inaugurated the automatic coach washing plant and the augmented facilities at the coaching depot in Mysuru Station yard.

The GM said that with the commissioning of the automatic coach washing plant a new benchmark has been set in faster and more efficient cleaning of coaches.

He further stated that the automatic coach washing plant is a multistage external cleaning system for coaches in rakes, using a detergent solution, high-pressure water jet and vertical rotating brushes. In addition, it has an Effluent Treatment System and water softening plants for use of soft water for external washing. This system will replace the current practice of cleaning rakes by manual application of chemicals and high-pressure jet, which is time-consuming, labour- intensive and water-guzzling, he added.

The controlled use of cleaning material results in reducing water, cost and manpower, thus paving the way for cleaner coaches for passengers in an efficient and eco-friendly manner.

Nearly 60 to 70% of recycled water is used for washing in each washing cycle. The time taken to clean a 24-coach train is 5-6 minutes at a speed of 5-8 kmph (4-5 coaches per minute) in comparison to manual practice running to over 180 minutes, said the General Manager.

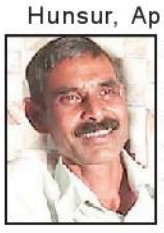
With Indian Railways' thrust now being primarily on identifying areas for improved operational efficiency by devising a robust mechanism for inspection of coaches of passenger-carrying trains, preventive as well as predictive, the facilities at the coaching depot have been augmented at Mysuru, which is one of the largest coaching depots of SWR.

The salient features of the work include a covered shed of 100m length x 36m width having two maintenance bays, four sick-lines for accommodating a total of 16 coaches in the covered shed, provision for EOT crane in each bay, four examination pits, each of 25m length, synchronised lifting jacks facility for all sick-lines, alternator testing bed (Dyna-drive) facility in one examination pit, 750V couplers, welding points, battery chargers and charging points in each maintenance bay, 7.5m wide centre space for movement & maintenance activity, self-supported roof with turbo ventilators, rainwater harvesting with groundwater recharging system and provision of translucent sheets in roof & side cladding for adequate daylight. The work on bay II is expected to be completed by June 2023.

U. Subba Rao, Principal Chief Mechanical Engineer, SWR, Hubballi, Rahul Agarwal, Divisional Railway Manager, SWR, Mysuru Division and senior officials of Mysuru Division were present during the inauguration.

Mystery shrouds journalist's death

Accident case converted to murder case following SP's instruction



C.L. Swamy

Hunsur, Apr. 18 (KK&KS)- Mystery shrouds over the death of a journalist, whose body was found close to Moruramma Temple near Halagere, close to the National Highway on Saturday night.

The deceased is C.L. Swamy (42), a reporter of a weekly paper in Periyapatna and a resident of Hunsur town. He leaves behind his wife Bhagya, son Subhash and daughter Poornima.

Hunsur Town Police Inspector Ravi and staff, who rushed to the spot, inspected the spot and collected glass pieces of the bike which was found at the spot. Suspecting that Swamy may have died following an accident, the Police had registered an accident death case and had seized the bike (KA-45-EC-2563). But the family members and activists of Dalita Sangarsha Samithi (DSS), who saw the throat of Swamy slit, alleged that Swamy has been murdered and his death was not due to accident. They said that some miscreants may have kidnapped Swamy, took him to the outskirts of the town and murdered him by slitting his throat.

Alleging that the Police were trying to hush up the case, they demanded a thorough probe and staged a protest in front of the Police Station demanding the presence of the Superintendent of Police (SP) at the spot.

DSS District Convenor Ningaraj Malladi said that about two days ago, Swamy was assaulted near a hotel by miscreants after disrobing him. Pointing out that Swamy was a journalist and had many enemies, Ningaraj alleged that miscreants had taken Swamy in an auto to the outskirts of the town and had murdered him. Demanding a thorough probe into the case, Ningaraj said that they would continue with the protest till the family of Swamy gets justice.

Basavalingaiah, Swamy, advocate Puttaraju, Shivashekar, Ramakrishna, Nagaraju, Govindaraju, Appanna and others, numbering more than 100, staged a protest.

Meanwhile, SP R. Chethan, visited the spot, later inspected the body at the mortuary and met the protesters. The SP told the protesters that he would initiate a thorough probe into the case.

Following instructions from the SP, the Town Police, who had initially registered an accident case, registered a case of murder under IPC Section 302 and shifted the body of journalist Swamy to MMC&RI mortuary in Mysuru for post-mortem.

Unidentified bodies found

Mysuru, Apr. 18 (KS)- In separate cases, Mandi and Railway Police, have found bodies of unidentified persons in their respective jurisdictions and have shifted the bodies to the mortuary besides registering cases.

The Railway Police, on Apr. 15, have found a body of an unidentified man, aged about 40 to 45 years, on the Railway track between Mysuru City and Chamarajapuram Railway Stations of Mysuru-Chamarajanagar section.

The deceased is 5.5 ft. tall, oval faced, wheatish complexioned and lean built. The kith and kin of the deceased, if any, may contact Mysuru Railway Police Station on Ph: 0821-2516579.

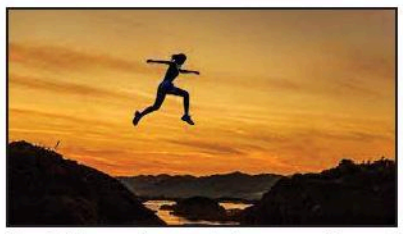
In the second case, Mandi Police, on Apr. 17 at about 1.30 pm, have found a body of an unidentified man in front of a house on Sreenivasa Temple Road, 2nd Cross in Kailaspuram in city and have registered a case.

The deceased is aged about 40 years, 5.5 ft. tall, oily red complexioned, oval faced, normal built, sports black beard and moustache, has the names 'Sumithra,' 'Shivaraj Kumar' and 'Tejas' tattooed on his left arm and was wearing a pink coloured full arm shirt and a blue pant.

The kith and kin of the deceased, if any, may contact Mandi Police Station on Ph: 0821-2418113/ 313/ 513 or call Police Control Room on Ph: 0821-2418339, according to a press release.

WORD OF THE DAY

Mettlesome



Pronunciation: MET-ul-sum.
Meaning: Mettlesome means "full of vigour and strength of spirit or temperament."
Origin: The 17th-century adjective mettlesome (popularly used of spirited horses) sometimes appeared as the variant metalsome. That's not surprising. In the 16th century and for some time after, mettle was a variant spelling of metal—that is, the word for substances such as gold, copper, and iron. The 16th century was also when metal—or mettle—acquired the figurative sense of "spirit," "courage," or "stamina." However, by the early 18th century, dictionaries were noting the distinction between metal, used for the substance, and mettle, used for "spirit," so that nowadays the words mettle and mettlesome are rarely associated with metal.
Example: "My mother was strong, mettlesome—a survivor. We were a lower-middle-class family." — Patti Smith

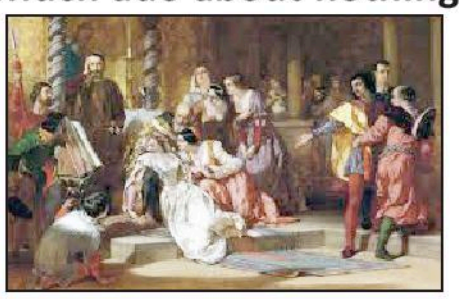
THE ODD WORD

Macaronic

Muddled or mixed-up.

PHRASE OF THE DAY

Much ado about nothing



Meaning: The phrase 'Much Ado about Nothing' is used when someone is overreacting and makes a big deal of fuss over something unimportant.
Origin: 'Much Ado about Nothing' is the title of a well-known play by Shakespeare (1599). The phrase assimilated into the English language and to this day is still used in its original form.
Example: "Some people make a big fuss about which seat they'll get on the plane, but as far as I can see it's much ado about nothing, since everyone will get to the same destination at precisely the same time."

QUOTE BOX

When I said I would die a bachelor, I did not think I should live till I were married.— **William Shakespeare**

RIDDLE THIS

Solve the rebus:

2222 DAY

Answer: Tuesday.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:

1 Festival of colour
5 Piece of meadow
8 Similar or related to
12 Tell a yarn
13 A place of lodging
14 Frog genus - "anar" change ?
15 Exhausted (4-4)
17 Formerly, once
18 Water in France
19 India and Mumbai's ___ Solkar
21 Poetic feet of one kind
24 Stealthy character
25 Uprising
26 Sound quality or pitch
27 Away; not on ?
30 Girl's name - "Nan" changed?
31 South African pen
32 French monarch
33 Status ___ : existing state of affairs
34 The back of your neck
35 Peer
36 Oddballs; eccentric persons
38 River in Northern France on which Amiens stands
39 Muzzles; projecting noses and mouths of animals
41 A long time
42 Toupees
43 Enigmatic aura
48 Be adjacent to
49 Electrically charged atom
50 Mom's sister
51 Bombay Suburban Electric Supply, in short?
52 Calendar abbr.
53 Pheasant's nest

DOWN

1 High speed diesel, acronym?
2 Unseal - poetically speaking !
3 Debussy heroine
4 Owing a favour or owing money? (2,4)
5 Place; stead
6 Spanish queen
7 Aerials or feelers
8 Sporting field
9 Indian mountain range and pass
10 Short for 'this month'
11 Bollywood's Prem ___ or Alok ___
16 Art graduates, abbr.
20 Ship's bottom
21 Arab kingdom, once called Mesopotamia
22 A people of Japan
23 Soliloquy
24 Producers of suds?
26 Convey
28 Mould into shape
29 Dossier
31 Tie securely
35 "One in a" movement that's everlasting!
37 Expels or evicts
38 Drunkard
39 Clean with a mop or an absorbent pad
40 Points of pens
41 Labourer of yore
44 Addressee
45 Sauve __ peut
46 And for the German
47 Estimated Time En route

SATURDAY'S ANSWER

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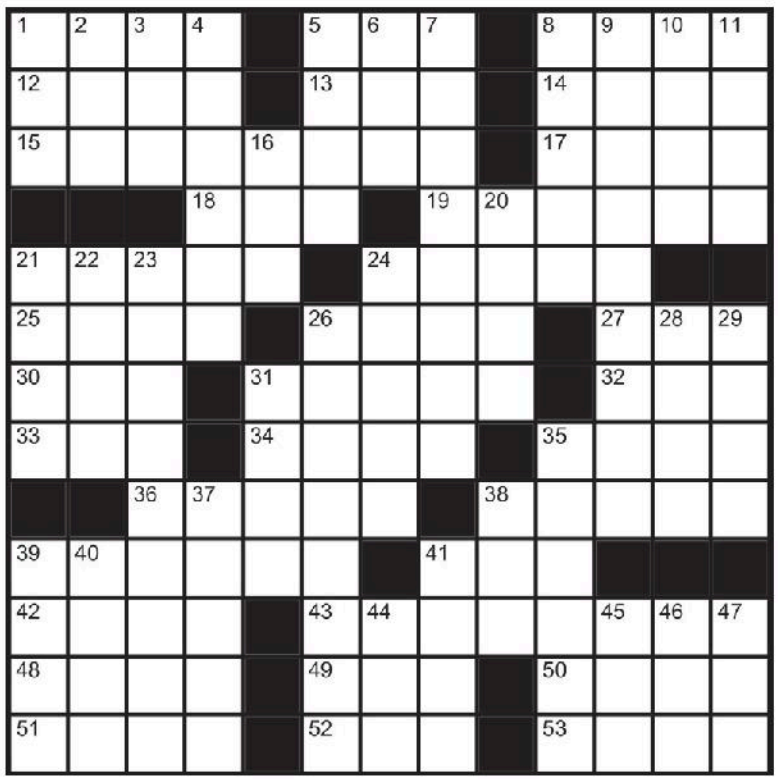

SUDOKU

		2	5					
8	9			6				
5		7		1		4		
3			6				1	
		6				5		
	1				9			4
		8		4		3		1
				5			7	2
					3	9		

Answer to previous puzzle

3	1	9	4	7	2	8	5	6
5	2	7	6	1	8	9	4	3
4	6	8	9	5	3	7	2	1
1	9	4	8	6	7	2	3	5
7	8	5	3	2	1	6	9	4
6	3	2	5	4	9	1	8	7
2	7	3	1	9	4	5	6	8
9	4	6	7	8	5	3	1	2
8	5	1	2	3	6	4	7	9

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

IECRBIO CGMWV CRW CGVCW EKC EH YWGIKC

UKCCWA FKBCW TBMW KIAWFKBCWL TEJW.

TODAY'S CLUE: O EQUALS G

Saturday's Cryptoquip: The darkest day, if you live till tomorrow, will have passed away.

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	(S-3)	8.00 am, 11.25 am
	(S-4)	8.00 am, 11.45 am, 3.30 pm 6.45 pm, 10.00 pm
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	(S-2)	10.15 am, 1.55 pm, 5.35 pm
	(S-1)	11.00 am, 2.40 pm, 6.20 pm, 10 pm
KGF Chapter 2 (H)	(S-2)	9.15 pm
RRR (Te)	(S-4)	2.10 pm
Beast (Ta)	(S-4)	10.40 am, 6.00 pm, 9.30 pm

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KGF -2 (H)	:	10.45 am, 6.00 pm
Beast (Ta)	:	11.30 am, 2.50 pm, 6.10 pm, 9:30 pm
RRR (Te)	:	2.15 pm
RRR (K)	:	9.30 pm

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Beast (Ta)	:	8.00 am, 11.20 am, 2.40 pm, 6:20 pm, 9.30 pm
RRR (Te)	:	2.30 pm, 9.50 pm

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Beast (Ta)	:	11.45 am, 3.00 pm, 9:45 pm

NOTE: Movie timings published here are subject to sudden change by the theatre managements. The films are also liable to be changed in multiplexes if there are no minimum audience of 15.

Trust distributes cash awards and gold medals to talented students

Mysuru, Apr. 18 (GA&TRR)- Director of Department of Technical Education N. Ravichandran has said that students should imbibe the qualities of honesty and patriotism.

He was speaking after giving away cash awards and gold medals to talented students at a function held at NIE College Dr. Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan Seminar Hall recently.

In all, 62 students were given cash awards, 41 were given gold medals and 5 were given gold medals along with cash awards for their achievements during the academic year 2019-20.

"I was a student of NIE college in the nineties and since then the institution continues to provide the same quality of education. The qualities we imbibe during our student days shape our professional life. That is why students who studied in this college have occupied prominent positions in India and abroad. Now-a-days it is believed that getting awards and earning money are achievements and we are looking everything with a business point of view and nobody is talking about honesty and integrity. The students of the present generation should ponder over these issues and imbibe the qualities of honesty and patriotism along with developing the required professional skills," he advised students.

Abhi Trust, which was formed by NRIs, gave awards to four students from rural background and also assured the students the Trust will take care of their future education and as per the requirement will send them to Sweden to get special training.

NIE Board Chairman Dr. M.S. Ranganath, Principal N.V. Raghavendra, Deputy Principal Dr. Ganesh Prasad and others were present.

EVENTS TODAY (APRIL 18)

- **Sri Ramabhyudhaya Sabha Public Charitable Trust:** 132nd Sri Ramotsava celebrations, Discourse on 'Ramayana' by K. Ramachandra, retired Engineer, Moole Rama Mandira, Srirampet, **5 pm to 6 pm;** Classical Music by Vid. Kunnakudi Balamuralikrishna accompanied by Akkarai Shubhalakshmi on violin, Vid. Patri Satish Kumar on mridanga and Vid. Giridhar Udupa on ghata, Alamma Choultry, Srirampet, **6.30 pm to 9.30 pm.** [Mob: 97407-82020].
- **Sri Rama Seva Mandali - Sri Shankaranarayanaswamy Temple:** Sri Ramotsava Cultural Programmes, Bhajans by Sri Krupa Kala Balaga, **6 pm;** Violin duet by Vid. K.J. Dilip and Vidu. Ila S. Dilip from Chennai, Vid. Vinod Shyam Anoor on mridanga, Vid. T.S. Gopi Shravan on morching, Temple premises, Chamundipuram, **7 pm to 9 pm.**
- **Ganavisharadha Sri Bidaram Krishnappa's Sri Prasanna Sita Rama Mandira:** 106th Ramanavami Annual Heritage Music Festival, Karnatak Classical Violin Duet by Vid. Ramakrishnan Murthy and Vid. Mysuru Karthik accompanied by Vid. Anantha R. Krishnan on mridanga, Vazhappally R. Krishnakumar on ghata, Mandira premises, Narayana Shastry Road, **6 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (APRIL 19)

- **Sri Rama Seva Mandali - Sri Shankaranarayanaswamy Temple:** Sri Ramotsava Programmes, Sri Ramachandraswamy Pattabhisheka and Mahotsava, **8 am;** Mangalarati and Prasada Viniyoga, **1 pm;** Devotional songs by Sachchidananda Vitala Das and Sagari Sunag, Mysuru, **6 pm;** Harikathe *(Paduka Pattabhisheka)* by Vid. Yagnesh Achar, Hosabettu-Surathkal, Temple premises, Chamundipuram, **7 pm to 9 pm.**
- **Ganavisharadha Sri Bidaram Krishnappa's Sri Prasanna Sita Rama Mandira:** 106th Ramanavami Annual Heritage Music Festival, Karnatak Classical Veena Recital by Dr. S.V. Sahana, accompanied by Vid. Pathri Satish Kumar on mridanga, Mandira premises, Narayana Shastry Road, **6 pm.**
- **Sri Ramabhyudhaya Sabha Public Charitable Trust:** 132nd Sri Ramotsava celebrations, discourse on 'Ramayana' by K. Ramachandra, retired Engineer, Moole Rama Mandira, Srirampet, **5 pm to 6 pm;** Veena recital by Vid. Ramana Balachandar, accompanied by Ananta R. Krishna on mridanga and Giridhar Udupa on ghata, Alamma Choultry, Srirampet, **6.30 pm to 9.30 pm.** [Mob: 97407-82020].

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TODAY'S MATCH (APRIL 18)

RR Vs **KKR** — 7.30 pm
BRABOURNE - CCI, Mumbai

TOMORROW'S MATCH (APRIL 19)

LSG Vs **RCB** — 7.30 pm
DY Patil Stadium, Navi Mumbai

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS

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Lose to
SRH - 152 / 3 (18.5)

CSK - 169 / 5 (20)
Lose to
GT - 170 / 7 (19.5)

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